

# FYLDE CIVIC AWARENESS GROUP



LOCALISM IN ACTION PROJECT

# DEMOCRACY & LOCALISM

A PUBLIC SEMINAR

*The new Localism Act encourages more engagement and civic involvement.*

*Find out how you can be heard, and influence Government and Members of Parliament.*

*Hear how your council could change its way of working in future, and the options available.*

*See how local residents can set in motion a process of change for the Council running your area.*

*Listen to an experienced Councillor's view on the pros and cons of the 'Leader and Cabinet' and 'Committee' Systems*

## SEMINAR PROGRAMME

**9:30 ARRIVALS AND COFFEE**

**10:00 WELCOME, INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND** - Jon Harrison. Chairman FCAG

**10:15 ENGAGING WITH PARLIAMENT** - Chris Blanchett from the Parliamentary Outreach Service on the work of Parliament and how individuals and groups can actively engage with policy at a national level.

**11:15 DEMOCRACY VIA LOCALISM** - The new Localism Act sets out a range of options for running a local council. This session by John Bainbridge outlines those options, and takes a closer look at how people can return their local Council to a Committee System if they wish to do so.

**12:15 LUNCH BREAK** - (Lunch is not included) - time for networking and discussion.

**14:00 THE LEADER & CABINET SYSTEM - Before, during, and after** - Should your council change? Would it be more democratic? Hear the inside track from Cllr Paul Hayhurst, a former Mayor and current Fylde Councillor of 34 years experience - including 9 as Council Leader.

**15:00 QUESTIONS VIEWS AND COMMENTS** - Time for your questions and comments.

# THE GLENDOWER HOTEL

North Promenade, Lytham St Annes, FY8 2NQ

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**Admission is by ticket at just £5.00 each  
available via the website or from the Clerk as below**

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